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TASK FORCE ON BLACKS - STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Your thoughtful responses to this questionnaire will be vital to the recommendations of the Task Force. Please check each answer which best describes you or your ideas.

1. Sex:

1) ☒ Female 2) ☐ Male

2. Marital Status:

1) ☒ Single 2) ☐ Married

3) ☐ Other _____
(please specify)

3. Age:

1) 17-19 yrs. _____; 2) 20-22 ☒; 3) 23-25 _____; 4) 26-30; 5) 31-40 _____; 6) 40+ _____

4. Class Level:

1) ☐ Freshman
2) ☐ Sophomore
3) ☒ Junior
4) ☐ Senior

5) ☐ Masters
6) ☐ Doctoral
7) ☐ Other _____
(please specify)

5. Housing:

1) On Campus ☒ 2) Married Student Housing _____ 3) Off Campus _____

6. Major in College of:

1) ☐ Agriculture
2) ☐ Architecture
3) ☐ Business
4) ☐ Communications
5) ☒ Education
6) ☐ Engineering

7) ☐ Home Economics
8) ☐ Nursing
9) ☐ Law
10) ☐ Liberal Arts
11) ☐ Other _____
(please specify)

7. I prefer to be called:

1) ☐ Negro
2) ☐ Afro-American
3) ☐ Colored

4) ☒ Black
5) ☐ American
6) ☐ Other _____
(please specify)

8. Current cumulative grade point average:

1) below 1.00 _____; 2) 1.00 to 1.50 _____; 3) 1.51 to 2.00 _____
4) 2.01 to 2.50 _____; 5) 2.51 to 3.00 ☒; 6) 3.01 to 3.50 _____;
7) 3.51 to 4.00 _____

9. How many hours a week do you work?

1) ☐ 0-5 hrs.
2) ☐ 6-10 hrs.
3) ☒ 11-15 hrs.
4) ☐ 16-20 hrs.

5) ☐ 21-25 hrs.
6) ☐ 26-30 hrs.
7) ☐ 31-35 hrs.
8) ☐ 36-40 hrs.

(over)

10. How long have you been a student at UT Knoxville?

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1) <u> </u> Less than one year | 5) <u> </u> 4 to 5 years |
| 2) <u> </u> 1 to 2 years | 6) <u> </u> 5 to 6 years |
| 3) <u>✓</u> 2 to 3 years | 7) <u> </u> More than 6 years |
| 4) <u> </u> 3 to 4 years | |

11. The student body of my senior high school was:

- | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1) <u> </u> 25% Black | 3) <u> </u> 75% Black |
| 2) <u> </u> 50% Black | 4) <u> </u> 100% Black |

12. With which of the following organizations or activities do you spend most of your free time:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| 1) <u> </u> Student Senate | 7) <u> </u> BEACON |
| 2) <u> </u> Fraternity | 8) <u> </u> ROTC |
| 3) <u> </u> Sorority | 9) <u> </u> Campus Religious Centers |
| 4) <u> </u> Intramurals | 10) <u>✓</u> AASLF |
| 5) <u> </u> Band | 11) <u> </u> Other (Please specify) |
| 6) <u> </u> Theatre | A. <u>Cultural Affairs Board</u> |
| | B. <u>Cultural Arts Committee</u> |

13. What is the main reason that you are going to college? (Select only one)

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| 1) <u> </u> Family and/or peer group pressure | 4) <u>✓</u> To become a better educated person |
| 2) <u>✓</u> To secure employment | 5) <u> </u> To participate in athletics |
| 3) <u> </u> To find a spouse | 6) <u> </u> Other <u> </u>
(please specify) |

14. Approximate total annual family income before taxes:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1) <u> </u> Below \$3,000 | 5) <u> </u> \$10,000 to \$15,000 |
| 2) <u>✓</u> \$3,000 to \$5,000 | 6) <u> </u> \$15,000 to \$20,000 |
| 3) <u> </u> \$5,000 to \$7,000 | 7) <u> </u> \$20,000 to \$25,000 |
| 4) <u> </u> \$7,000 to \$10,000 | 8) <u> </u> Over \$25,000 |

15. Which of the following factors were most influential in your attending UT? (Check Two)

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|--|--|
| 1) <u> </u> Athletics | 6) <u> </u> Black Alumni |
| 2) <u> </u> AASLF | 7) <u> </u> White Alumni |
| 3) <u> </u> Black Recruiters | 8) <u> </u> Academic Program |
| 4) <u> </u> High School Counselor | 9) <u> </u> Other <u> </u>
(please specify) |
| 5) <u>✓</u> Friends | |

16. In your estimation, have your UT Knoxville Black Instructors been as competent as their white counterparts in relating classroom material to you?

1. ✓ Yes; 2. No; 3. Unsure; 4. Not applicable

17. At this point in time, would you date a white person?

1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☒ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

18. Based on your own experience, do you generally find white students to be friendly and courteous?

1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

19. Have you recently (last 2 years) encountered any obvious racism while attempting to secure housing off campus?

1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☒ Not applicable

20. Have you ever taken a class at UT Knoxville that had a Black instructor?

1. ☒ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

21. Do you feel that you will support UT as an alumnus?

1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

22. Do you think that the library facilities at UT Knoxville are adequate for your needs?

1. ☒ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

23. Does Black peer group pressure influence your relationship with non-Black students?

1. ☒ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

24. Would you mind having a white roommate?

1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

25. Has the Daily Beacon been representative of your point of view on campus issues?

1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☒ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

26. Has the course content of your classes, where appropriate, generally included the participation of Black people in American life?

1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☒ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

27. Do you feel that UT Knoxville is as responsive to your needs and interests as it is to other students'?

1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

28. At this point in time, would you marry a white person?

1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

(over)

Directions: Please indicate the answer that best represents your attitude toward each of the following by circling only one of the four possible choices listed below.

0 - Not Applicable 1 - Favorable 2 - Neutral 3 - Unfavorable

29. The quality of the guidance and counseling given to Black students by counseling personnel

0 1 2 3

30. The amount of financial aid furnished to you by the University

0 1 2 3

31. The effectiveness of the present recruitment program as it is related to the attracting of Black students

0 1 2 3

32. The Black sorority at UT Knoxville

0 1 2 3

33. The Black fraternity at UT Knoxville

0 1 2 3

34. The relevance of my UT Knoxville education to my future employment goals

0 1 2 3

35. The existence of the Afro-American Student Liberation Force

0 1 2 3

36. The number of Black cheerleaders and Black majorettes

0 1 2 3

37. The general attitude of UT Knoxville faculty members in my major department toward Black students

0 1 2 3

38. The number of Black students of opposite sex available for dating

0 1 2 3

39. Entrance requirements for admission to UT Knoxville

0 1 2 3

40. The quality of my high school education as a preparatory base for college

0 1 2 3

41. The quality of general education for personal growth and development that UT is affording you

0 1 2 3

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Directions: Please indicate the answer that best represents your attitude toward each of the following by circling only one of the four possible choices listed below.

0 - Not Applicable 1 - Favorable 2 - Neutral 3 - Unfavorable

42. The guest speakers brought to the UT Knoxville campus

0 1 (2) 3

43. The establishment of a Black Cultural Center at UT Knoxville

0 (1) 2 3

44. Expansion of the Black Studies program

0 (1) 2 3

45. In response to the general concerns of Black students at UT Knoxville, how do you rate each of the following groups?

<u>Supportive</u>		<u>Obstructive</u>	
1. _____	1. Alumni	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	1.
2. _____	2. The Board of Trustees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	2.
3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	3. Black Students	_____	3.
4. _____	4. The Administration ?	_____	4.
5. _____	5. The Community at Large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	5.
6. _____	6. The Faculty	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	6.
7. _____	7. The Legislature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	7.
8. _____	8. White Students ?	_____	8.
9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	9. Black Faculty and Staff	_____	9.
10. _____	10. Other _____ (please specify)	_____	10.

46. Type of financial assistance you have had at UT Knoxville:

<u>Previous Years</u>		<u>Current Year</u>	
1. _____	1. None	_____	1.
2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	2. National Defense Student Loan	_____	2.
3. _____	3. Graduate Assistantship	_____	3.
4. _____	4. Teaching Assistantship	_____	4.
5. _____	5. Non-service Fellowship	_____	5.
6. _____	6. Black Non-service Fellowship	_____	6.
7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	7. Federal Work Study	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	7.
8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	8. Opportunity Grant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	8.
9. _____	9. Other <u>Minority Fund</u> (please specify) <u>Scholarship</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	9.
10. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____	10. <u>Estes Kefauver</u> <u>Memorial Scholarship</u>		

(over)

45. What do you desire that would make your stay at UT Knoxville more pleasant?
(Please select the two toward which you feel most strongly.)

1. ☐ The recruitment of more Black athletes
2. ☐ The recruitment of more Black students
3. ☒ The recruitment of more Black faculty and staff
4. ☒ More Black cultural events
5. ☐ A University-wide tutorial program
6. ☐ Other (Please specify)
A. _____
B. _____

46. In what leisure time activities would you like to participate for which the University does not now offer the opportunity? (Please be specific)

47. If you have experienced or observed problems not mentioned, or too briefly stated in this questionnaire, please take the time to discuss them in the space provided below.

There is a lot of tension among Blacks as far as trying to be Black. There are so many stereotypes, that I just try to avoid getting caught up in one. I think many of the Black students here concentrate on trying to be "home" Black students, that they can't be themselves too. In other words, there are a lot of "fakes" among the Black student population and I try to avoid being this type of person because I think this is more destructive to our cause than it is constructive.